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In re Applic. of: David T. King )  
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Filed: November 15, 2001 ) Examiner: Hartman, G.  
 ) Group Art Unit: 3671  
Serial No: 10/001,903 )  
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For: GUARD RAIL SUPPORT, ATTACHMENT AND )  
POSITIONING SPACER BLOCK )  
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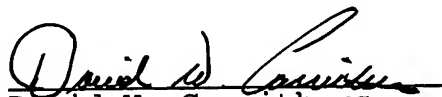
Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is a copy of a reference which we would like to bring to the attention of the examiner. We do not consider the reference to be relevant as prior art; however, the reference is pertinent in that it defines a structural foam as described and set forth in the specification and drawings of the claimed invention. Pursuant with Counsel's interview with the Examiner, the Examiner indicated that since we describe the block as optionally being composed of a solid material filled with foam, or composed of

structural foam, and/or structural foam filled with foam, we should further differentiate how structural foam is different than foamed filled portions of the spacer block in our claims. The enclosed article obtained from the Society of Plastic Industry provides supplemental information not necessary to support the claims of the instant invention but important to understand structural foam in general and how it is different from conventional foam products. Please note that the Figure 1 on page 2 of the reference is identical to Figure 11 of Applicant's disclosure.

We wish for the reference to be considered in the parent application and we are providing them to be as thorough as possible and to have them considered in the examination of the above-identified application. The check enclosed herewith includes the amount of \$180.00 as payment for submission of an Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR §1.97(c)(2).

Respectfully submitted,



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